

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions of the claims in the Application. With reference to the listing it is noted that, herewith, claims 12-23 are added, and claims 1 and 3 are amended. No new matter has been added.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A system to handle exchange of a foreign currency, comprising:

a memory having program code stored therein; and

a processor operatively connected to said memory for carrying out instructions in accordance with said stored program code,

wherein said program code, when executed by said processor, causes said processor to perform:

establishing the foreign currency as a stock on a stock exchange, wherein the stock ~~is priced using a currency different than the foreign currency~~ comprises a number of units of the foreign currency offered for trade in terms of a native currency of the stock exchange;

presenting on the stock exchange, using quotation of the stock exchange, the stock; and establishing a predetermined number of market makers having responsibility for the stock,

wherein one or more requests are passed to one or more of the market makers.

Claim 2 (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) A system to handle exchange of a foreign currency, comprising:

a memory having program code stored therein; and
a processor operatively connected to said memory for carrying out instructions in accordance with said stored program code,
wherein said program code, when executed by said processor, causes said processor to perform:

listing the foreign currency as a stock on a stock exchange, wherein the stock ~~is priced using a currency different than the foreign currency~~ comprises a number of units of the foreign currency offered for trade in terms of a native currency of the stock exchange;

presenting on the stock exchange, using quotation of the stock exchange, the stock; and
hosting a predetermined number of market makers having responsibility for the stock,
wherein one or more requests are passed to one or more of the market makers.

Claim 4 (Canceled)

5. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said responsibility includes posting a bid and offer for said stock.

6. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said responsibility includes offering to purchase or sell said stock for posted amounts.

7. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 3, wherein said responsibility includes posting a bid and offer for said stock.

8. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 3, wherein said responsibility includes offering to purchase or sell said stock for posted amounts.

9. (Withdrawn) A method for performing currency exchange, comprising:

- placing a request with a broker;
- having the broker pass the request to a market maker; and
- having the market maker execute the request.

10. (Withdrawn) A method for performing currency exchange comprising:

determining the amount of native currency that can be received in return for a specified number of shares of a first exchange share;

determining the number of shares of a second exchange share that can be purchased for the determined amount of native currency; and

simultaneously submitting a request to sell the specified number of shares of said first exchange share, and a request to purchase the determined number of shares of said second exchange share.

11. (Withdrawn) A system for performing currency exchange, comprising:

a memory having program code stored therein; and

a processor operatively connected to said memory for carrying out instructions in accordance with said stored program code;

wherein said program code, when executed by said processor, causes said processor to perform the steps of:

determining the amount of native currency that can be received in return for a specified number of shares of a first exchange share;

determining the number of shares of a second exchange share that can be purchased for the determined amount of native currency; and

simultaneously submitting a request to sell the specified number of shares of said first exchange share, and a request to purchase the determined number of shares of said second exchange share.

12. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein the stock comprises a number of units of Japanese Yen offered for trade in terms of United States Dollar.

13. (New) The system of claim 12, wherein the stock is given a name USJP.

14. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein the stock comprises a number of units of Euro offered for trade in terms of United States Dollar.

15. (New) The system of claim 14, wherein the stock is given a name USEU.

16. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein the stock comprises a number of units of Canadian Dollar offered for trade in terms of United States Dollar.

17. (New) The system of claim 16, wherein the stock is given a name USCA.

18. (New) The system of claim 3, wherein the stock comprises a number of units of Japanese Yen offered for trade in terms of United States Dollar.

19. (New) The system of claim 18, wherein the stock is given a name USJP.

20. (New) The system of claim 3, wherein the stock comprises a number of units of Euro offered for trade in terms of United States Dollar.

21. (New) The system of claim 20, wherein the stock is given a name USEU.

22. (New) The system of claim 3, wherein the stock comprises a number of units of Canadian Dollar offered for trade in terms of United States Dollar.

23. (New) The system of claim 22, wherein the stock is given a name USCA.